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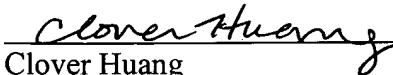
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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully disagree with the reasons for allowance set forth in the Notice of Allowance mailed October 3, 2005 to the extent they suggest that Applicants provided no published documents showing that at the time the invention was made a person of ordinary skill in the art would know to use ICMP Type 3, subcode 3 in an embodiment in which the ICMP was used. See, e.g., Internet Control Message Protocol Specification, dated September 1981, attached to the Declaration of William James under 37 CFR 1.132 dated July 6, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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